

# Sarvesh Ramprakash

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## PROFILE

Multi-talented and experienced Operations Coordinator in the private spaceflight, biotechnology/R&D and IT sectors, trying to explore opportunities the intersection of the Life Sciences industry and Performance Improvement. Effective communicator with the ability to translate complex business requirements into actionable tasks, and provide innovative and practical solutions.

## EDUCATION

**George Washington University** Washington, DC 2009 – 2014  
*program:* B.S., Biomedical engineering  
*minors:* biophysics, biology

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**University of Southern California** Los Angeles, CA 05/2014 – 08/2014  
**Laboratory Technician I**

Set up Prof. James Boedicker's lab at the Seaver Science Center, designed, implemented, and maintained Quartz-powered inventory database, and assisted undergraduate/graduate students with independent projects clustered around research of natural and engineered syntrophic bacterial communities

**NanoRacks, LLC** Washington, DC 09/2013 – 11/2013

### **Intern, Business Development**

Prepared and maintained trade show calendar, organized 100+ person reception with JAXA (Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency) and international partners, celebrating 100 successful payload launches

**WRGW District Radio** Washington, DC 09/2011 – 10/2013

### **Operations Director**

Spearheaded ~\$10k renovation of main control room and refactor of WRGW's Web presence, deployed/customized wiki and case tracker, prepared equipment and mixed during live performances

**SeQR Pay, Inc.** McLean, VA 05/2013 – 07/2013

### **Intern, Business Development**

Modeled (with both developer and sales department input) and restructured mission-critical Xcode/Bash scripts to automate client-branded mobile marketplace apps (iPad, iPhone),

**National Institutes of Health** Bethesda, MD 06/2012 – 08/2012

### **Intern, Dr. Dhruba Chattoraj's Lab**

Modified a MATLAB-based image processing toolkit (MicrobeTracker) for Dr. Chattoraj's research in plasmid replication (using *E.coli* as the model organism); performed routine molecular biology experiments

**GWU Academic Technologies** Washington, DC 01/2011 – 12/2011

### **Staff Assistant**

Assisted students, staff with instructional technologies on George Washington University's campus (e.g., printers, lab PCs, AMX touch-screen A/V systems present in some classrooms, etc.); conducted QA sweeps, escalating as needed (using the Remedy ticketing system)

**Society for Space Synthetic Biology** [bit.ly/synbiospace](http://bit.ly/synbiospace) 12/2010 – PRESENT

### **Co-Founder**

Organized successful letter-writing campaign to have synthetic biology examined by the National Academies of Science as a focus for their drafted Space Technology Roadmaps

**Montgomery College** Rockville, MD 2008 – 2009

### **Student Tutor**

Taught students in subjects including chemistry (general->organic), mathematics (calculus->differential equations), physics, biology (introductory->microbiology), statistics

RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE

**George Washington University** Washington, DC 2012 – 2013  
**Senior Design Program (mentor: Prof. Matthew Kay)**  
Researched, designed, and prototyped a situational awareness device for blind/vision-impaired patients; implemented (mixed C/C++) face and text recognition of the user's immediate environs (via head-mounted webcam) and text-to-speech to be narrated to the user via bone conduction

**Red Bull Stratos** [win.gs/stratosproject](http://win.gs/stratosproject) 01/2012 – 02/2012  
**Data analyst, Medical Branch**  
Processed data generated from Bluetooth/USB life-support monitoring systems on Felix Baumgartner's suit during test jumps, using ROOT

**Georgetown University** Washington, DC 2006 – 2007  
**Intern, Department of Chemistry, Dr. YuYe Tong's lab**  
Synthesized and characterized bimetallic Cu-Pt nanoparticles with core-shell (Cu core, Pt shell) cubic structure for use as catalysts for direct-methanol fuel cells (DMFCs)

**State Universities of New York (SUNY)** Stony Brook, NY 2005 – 2006  
**Garcia Summer Scholar, Dr. Miriam Rafailovich's Lab**  
Investigated effects of polymer-supported (PS, PMMA, SAN) catalytic nanoparticles (POSS, Pd,TiO<sub>2</sub>), supercritical CO<sub>2</sub>, vacuum vapor deposition of Pt on performance of Nafion-based polymer-electrolyte membrane fuel cells (PEMFCs); submitted paper to Siemens competition titled, "Development and Evaluation of Novel Electrocatalytic Thin Films for Optimization of PEMFCs and DMFCs"

SKILLS

**Languages/Software/Operating Systems**  
Java (JS2E), C++, C, Interactive C Eclipse, NetBeans, Visual Studio  
OpenCV, Tesseract, QEMU Windows, Mac OS, Linux (Debian, Arch)  
Pro/Engineer, Cadence PSICE, MATLAB Microsoft Office, OpenOffice

**Web Frameworks/Platforms**  
Mailchimp, Tout, Mandrill FileMaker Pro  
Hootsuite, IFTTT, Buffer WordPress, Joomla, Drupal  
Google Analytics Google AdWords

**Materials Science/Chemistry**  
Atomic force microscopy (AFM) Chemical vapor deposition (CVD)  
Sputtering Spincasting  
IR spectroscopy, thin-layer chromatography <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C NMR  
Supercritical fluid treatment Nanoparticle synthesis

**Biology**  
Aseptic technique DNA extraction, amplification (PCR)  
DNA sequencing Bacterial transformation  
Light, confocal, phase-contrast microscopy Fluorescence microscopy  
Bacterial culture & identification Gram staining

AWARDS

University of Michigan Sidney J. and Irene Shipman Scholarship  
University of Michigan Engineering Scholarship of Honor  
AFCEA NOVA Scholarship  
SAE/Tau Beta Pi Engineering Scholarship  
George Washington University Alumni Award  
George Washington University Guaranteed Grant

LANGUAGES

English  
Tamil  
French

AFFILIATIONS

University of Michigan Shipman Society  
Society of Automotive Engineers  
George Washington University Space Society